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Inventor(s): Gregory Ashton, et al.

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Case Docket No. 8618

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT for the patent application:

Inventor(s): Gregory Ashton, et al. Confirmation No. 9706

Serial No.: 09/897,823 Group Art Unit: 3751

Date Filed: June 29, 2001 Examiner: Amanda R. Flynn

Title: DISPOSABLE ABSORBENT GARMENT HAVING HIGHLY EXTENSIBLE LEG  
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